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FOR AMBASSADOR MOYNIHAN

THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE SENT TO SECSTATE FM GENEVA DTG 14 JUL 75

QUOTE

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EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: ECOSOC, WFC

SUBJECT: 59TH ECOSOC-WORLD FOOD COUNCIL

FOR BUFFUM FROM FERGUSON

DEPARTMENT PLEASE PASS AMB MOYNIHAN, USUN

REF: SECTO 06038

1. WE ARE SENDING SEPTTEL FULL ACCOUNT OF ACTIVITIES  
US DEL ECOSOC RE JUNE MEETING WORLD FOOD COUNCIL  
(WFC). MOST OF THESE ACTIVITIES TOOK PLACE WHILE  
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AMB MOYNIHAN WAS PRESENT IN GENEVA. THIS TEL

ADDRESSED SOLELY TO ISSUE RAISED REFTTEL OF "WHY"  
EVENTS IN ROME TOOK PLACE.

2. IN OUR OPINION, BASIS CAUSE OF ROME CONFRONTATION  
LAY IN INADEQUATE OR NON-EXISTENT POLITICAL ADVICE  
FROM USG TO DR. HANNAH IN ROME, BOTH BEFORE AND  
DURING WFC. ISSUE CLEARLY WAS THAT OF JOBS IN  
SECRETARIAT ABOUT WHICH G-77 WAS NOT "CONSULTED".  
THE MATTER OF SECRETARIAT ARRANGEMENTS FOR TRANSLATION  
AND INTERPRETATION SERVICES WAS PURELY FORTUITOUS  
OCCASION TO PERMIT G-77 TO GET AT JOBS ISSUE. THIS  
IS REFLECTED IN WORLD FOOD COUNCIL REPORT AVAILABLE  
HERE IN GENEVA. RELEVANT PART OF ROME DECLARATION OF  
GROUP OF 77 STATES THAT G-77 "DECLARES IT ESSENTIAL  
TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING MEASURES:...."

(PARA 2) "TO NOMINATE AN ADEQUATE SECRETARIAT, WITH  
BALANCED REGIONAL DISTRIBUTION, ANSWERABLE TO WORLD FOOD  
COUNCIL".

3. CLEARLY DR. HANNAH HAD RIGHT TO EXPECT ADVICE ON  
WFC POLITICAL ISSUES, I.E., G-77, ITS POSITION, ITS  
INTENTIONS, WHO WERE THE TROUBLEMAKERS--AND WHY, ETC.  
THIS HE DID NOT GET FROM HIS OWN STAFF--PRINCIPALLY  
AZIZ--FOR REASONS SET OUT SEPTTEL AND WELL KNOWN TO  
DEPARTMENT. IN ADDITION, IT WOULD APPEAR FROM OUR  
RECONSTRUCTION OF EVENTS HERE IN GENEVA BASES ON TALKS  
WITH PRINCIPAL PARTICIPANTS (SEPTTEL), THAT USG DID  
NOT PROVIDE KIND OF POLITICAL ADVICE OR SUPPORT WHICH  
MIGHT HAVE BEEN PROVIDED, I.E., IN ALL SUCH CONFERENCES  
IT IS NECESSARY THAT AN OFFICER WITH LINES OF COMMUNI-  
CATION TO AND CREDITABILITY WITH G-77/NAG SHOULD BE  
PRESENT. EXPERIENCE IN OTHER CONFERENCES WHERE SAME  
HIGH POTENTIAL FOR CONFRONTATION EXISTED HAS SHOWN  
THE NECESSITY OF THAT KIND OF SERVICE BY THAT TYPE  
OF OFFICER, E.G., UNDEP CONFERENCE IN NAIROBI, NATURAL  
RESOURCES IN TOKYO, ECLA IN TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO, AND ESCAP  
IN NEW DELHI.

4. IN ADDITION, IT SHOULD BE BORNE IN MIND THAT G-77  
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REPS IN ROME MORE TECHNICAL AND SUBJECT MATTER ORIENTED  
THAN THOSE IN NEW YORK OR GENEVA. BEFORE WFC G-77  
TOOK POSITION SECRETARIAT WAS IMBALANCED. G-77 OPERATIVES  
IN ROME LACKED POLITICAL SOPHISITICATION OF OPERATIVES  
IN NEW YORK AND GENEVA TO RAISE ISSUE IN MANNER OTHER  
THAN BY CONFRONTATION. SPECIFICALLY, THEY APPEAR NOT  
TO HAVE GOTTEN THE MESSAGE FROM G-77 IN NEW YORK  
THAT THIS NOT TIME FOR CONFRONTATION SO LONG AS USG

IS FORTHCOMING. THIS POSITION OF NY 77 RE FOOD RE-  
CONFIRMED HERE IN GENEVA. IN THIS CONNECTION, IT SHOULD  
BE RECALLED THAT NY G-77 INVITED USG TO PREPARE BASIC  
PAPER ON FOOD NEEDS FOR 7TH SS AGENDA DISCUSSION IN  
ECOSOC.

5. US DEL REOMMMENDATIONS RE REPORT OF WFC CONTAINED  
SEPTTEL. ABRAMS  
UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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